



RMCC Honored at Governor's Work-Life Balance Award Luncheon

Governor Mike Beebe presented Rich Mountain Community College with one of nineteen Governor's Work-Life Balance Awards at the seventh annual award ceremony in Little Rock. The awards are presented by the Governor's Work-Life Balance Initiative, whose mission is to recognize Arkansas employers for establishing and providing resources that support employees in balancing the needs of both work and family.

RMCC was honored in the medium size company category with a bronze award. Others in the medium size category honored were Arkansas Educational Television Network, (AETN) of Conway, Benchmark Group of Rogers, and Delta Dental of Arkansas of Sherwood.

Dr. Steve Rook, VP of Academics at RMCC, accepted the award on behalf of RMCC. Dr. Rook stated, "It was my honor to accept the award on behalf of RMCC. Receiving this recognition from the Governor once again proves that RMCC is a special place to work."

Dr. Wayne Hatcher, RMCC President, stated his appreciation of the recognition for RMCC from Governor Beebe. Hatcher went on to say work-life balance is very important, and he is proud of what the College has done to assist its employees as they strive to be successful in all aspects of their lives.

Partners in the initiative are Arkansas Advocates for Children and Families, Arkansas Business Publication Group, Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce and Associated Industries of Arkansas, Arkansas State University, Child Care Resource and Referral Network, and the Society of Human Resource Managers. The following state offices and agencies are also partners in the initiative: the Arkansas Economic Development Commission, the Department of Education, the Department of Workforce Education, the Department of Health, the Department of Human Services (DHS) Arkansas Early Childhood Commission, DHS Communications, DHS Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education, DHS Division of County Operations, and the Office of the Governor.